

Grantee	City	Count(ies) Served	Amount
Women's Resource Center	Howell	Livingston	\$16,200.40
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Marquette County	Negaunee	Marquette	\$25,331.51
Branch Hillsdale St. Joseph Community Health Agency	Hillsdale	Hillsdale	\$38,288.36
Child & Family Services of Western Michigan	Holland	Muskegon	\$17,124
West Midland Family Center	Shepherd	Midland	\$60,000
Power Inc.	Ann Arbor	Washtenaw	\$30,000
West Michigan Community Mental Health System	Ludington	Lake, Mason, Oceana	\$35,202.18
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Lansing	Lansing	Ingham, Eaton, Clinton, Shiawassee, Ionia	\$34,666
Development Centers, Inc.	Detroit	Wayne	\$25,273.75
Regional Medical Health System	Marquette	Alger	\$5,560
Children's Assessment Center	Grand Rapids	Kent	\$32,427
Children's Resource Network	Holland	Ottawa	\$20,000
Keweenaw Family Resource Center	Houghton	Baraga, Houghton, Keweenaw	\$34,989.97
Oakland Family Services	Pontiac	Oakland	\$48,961.87
Family & Children Services of Midland	Midland	Midland	\$30,512.19
Catholic Social Services of Muskegon	Muskegon	Muskegon	\$31,000
Third Level Crisis Intervention Center	Traverse City	Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau	\$27,00
Children's Aid Society	Detroit	Wayne	\$34,998.87
<b>Total Grant Awards</b>			<b>\$547,536.10</b>

## GRANT SUMMARIES

**Women's Resource Center of Livingston County:** The Healthy Family Livingston (HFL) program will expand the existing 12-week Steven Bavolek Nurturing Parenting Program by offering two 12-week programs for an expanded audience – families with children from birth to age 12 who live in the Fowlerville and Gregory communities. The HFL program fosters the absence of child abuse and neglect and improves family functioning by promoting the presence of “nurturing” and teaches five constructs of nurturing – empathy, appropriate developmental expectations, positive discipline, appropriate parent and child roles, power and independence.

**Big Brothers Big Sisters of Marquette:** The Turnaround Program will enhance and expand services to families and youth in the Gwinn/K.I. Sawyer communities. BBBS will provide three model mentoring programs designed to meet the needs of youth in the area: one-on-one traditional match program, Kappa Kids program and Lunch Buddies program.

**Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency:** Healthy Beginnings of Hillsdale County will expand the Healthy Beginnings Teen Program by offering prenatal education classes and a new menu of supportive group opportunities. The program will offer parent education using the Parents As Teachers specialized curriculum with pregnant teens and teen parents with children between the ages of zero-three year olds with risk factors associated with abuse and neglect.

**Child and Family Services of Western Michigan:** The Circle of Parents program will target those communities in Muskegon County with high unemployment rates and a substantial number of children living in poverty. Parents will be connecting to a place where they will build their own sense of competence and power. Parents will do this by building relationships and connecting with other parents who share common experiences, successes, and challenges.

**West Midland Family Center:** The Preschool Family Mentoring Project is based on the Family Development Matrix which is a tool to help families recognize their strengths and assist family workers with accurate information regarding family needs and outcomes. A Family Mentor will establish a relationship of trust with parents whose children attend the West Midland Family Center Preschool program by nurturing parents, providing them with care, support and training so parents can nurture their children.

**Power Inc.** The Parents' Night Out program will offer psycho-educational and therapeutic support to parents and their children in a 6-week, ninety-minute format to families who are at-risk of child abuse and neglect and will serve 30 families per year. The program will provide parent education, support, mentorship and enrichment to parents undergoing stress, knowledge of child development, leisure planning, non-abusive discipline, stress management, money management, self-esteem, empowerment, and nurturing parent-child relationships.

**West Michigan Community Mental Health System:** Building Healthy Happy Families (BHMF) is an intensive prevention program over a three-year period that is designed to serve 40-50 families with children, age 0-5, who reside in Lake, Mason and Oceana Counties. BHMF provides an intensive outreach process that engages families in a combined parent/infant/toddler and parent/parent interaction through twice-weekly group meetings. The program provides home support and actively seeks parent participants who are interested in becoming Parent Peer Specialists.

**Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Lansing:** BBBS of Greater Lansing will mentor an additional 30 families and children through the Family Mentoring Network. The goal is to strengthen at-risk families through individualized mentoring. Adult and youth mentors will assist the at-risk family in developing self-sustaining life skills and the ability to utilize services within a 6-12 month period.

**Development Centers, Inc.:** The Bright Stars Early Childhood Prevention Program will offer families a menu of services including newsletters, educational group sessions, home visits, support groups, developmental screenings and referrals for additional services. Group sessions will focus on developmental stages, discipline, and parental expectations. Home visits will provide one-on-one services to the family and demonstrate specific parenting techniques in a comfortable, natural environment.

**Regional Medical Health System:** Becoming a Parent Workshop is an expansion of the Joy of Parenting Programs offered by the Women's & Children's Center of Marquette General Hospital. This monthly workshop will give expectant and new parents the helpful tools needed to provide proper care to newborns and infants by providing new parents accurate information about newborn/infant development and methods of care. Topics presented will include: newborn characteristics and infant development, understanding and dealing with crying, playing and communicating, sleep issues, feeding methods, shaken baby syndrome, and safety issues.

**Children's Assessment Center:** The Kidz Have Rights: Your Body Belongs to You program reaches out to children before abuse occurs and targets third graders in the Grand Rapids Public School District. This program will 1) educate and train children about body safety "rights; 2) increase children's ability to recognize touches that may lead to sexual abuse; 3) increase retention of learned skills/information; 4) help children identify safe adults who they can tell if abuse occurs; 5) educate teachers about recognizing and responding appropriately to disclosures or suspicions of sexual abuse; 6) inform/educate/reinforce body safety information for parents; and 7) increase communication about body safety between parent/child.

**Children's Resource Network:** The Respite Program will provide services to at least 75 children with Autism Spectrum Disorder by coordinating with other community agencies to identify and provide respite services, develop training, and create a larger network of respite providers to refer parents based on their individual needs, provide subsidized payment to registered respite providers, and enhance the overall delivery of respite services.

**Keweenaw Family Resource Center:** The First Link: Family Support Program is designed to create opportunities for families that increase their protective factors while minimizing their risks. This program will enhance and generate programs for parents with young children and pregnant teens by using the Hawaii Early Learning Profile and Florida State University Partners for a Healthy Baby curriculums in home visiting and support programs to focus on reducing stress and increasing parenting and child development education.

**Oakland Family Services:** Infant Mental Health Services provides access to in-office psychiatric assessment and medication monitoring to pregnant and new moms who have postpartum depression (PBD), anxiety, or other mood disorders. This program will be expanded and enhanced by adding parent support groups and PPD therapy groups that include a therapeutic nursery for children.

**Family and Children Services of Midland:** Child Care Concepts 4C will provide a combination of lecture, role play, video taped modeling, and individual on-site demonstration and coaching to teach child care providers how to establish environments conducive to positive behaviors and to manage undesirable behaviors in an appropriate way.

**Catholic Social Services of Muskegon:** Muskegon Healthy Families Prenatal Program provides intensive home visitation services by a highly trained Family Support Worker to pregnant women on a voluntary basis. Home visits will address prenatal care, child development, and parent/child interactions. Services will also include support, education, case management, support groups, incentives and assistance in accessing a variety of community resources.

**Third Level Crisis Intervention Center:** Homeless to Wholeness for Runaway, Homeless and Street Youth will provide temporary emergency shelter for runaway youth for up to a two week stay. Individual, family and group counseling, case management, and aftercare services will be provided using the Positive Youth Development Approach.

**Children's Aid Society:** The Loving Children Project will: 1) conduct parenting groups for the purpose of training and educating parents on how to be effective parents, with emphasis on communication, conflict resolution, and child development; 2) conduct family counseling sessions to assess family strengths and problems and develop methods to resolve problems; and 3) provide information and referral services to parents to meet needs of the family.